

**PATENT**

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Applicant(s) : Rick A. Briggs, et. al.

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- (X) Information Disclosure Statement.
- (X) Form PTO-1449 with copies of cited references.
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**Other Information:**

- (X) Applicant claims small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27.
- (X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) including any additional fees which may be required, now or in the future, or credit any over-payment, to Account No. 50-1746. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
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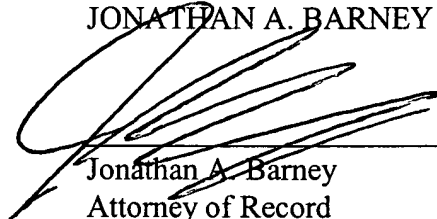
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